



SFMNP Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP)

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) is a 100 percent federally funded program which provides low-income seniors with coupon booklets that can be used to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, honey and cut herbs at Certified Farmers' Markets (CFM).

Where and when can seniors obtain farmers market coupon booklets?

California Department of Food and Agriculture partners with California's 33 Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) to distribute the SFMNP coupon booklets which include 10 \$2 coupons, \$20 total. AAA's are allowed to start distributing the coupon booklets as soon as May 1st of every year. Please contact your local Area Agency on Aging for their distribution schedule.

To locate your AAA click on the link below:

http://www.aging.ca.gov/local_aaa/AAA_listing.asp

What are the eligibility requirements?

The SFMNP's eligibility requirements are that you must be at least 60 years of age or older and is at or below the 185% poverty level.

How often can participants receive a coupon booklet?

As a participant, you can only receive one \$20 coupon booklet a year or season (May – Sept.)

Where can the SFMNP coupons be redeemed?

SFMNP coupons can be redeemed at any WIC/SFMNP authorized Farmers' Market. Your AAA can provide a list of all authorized markets in your area. All authorized farmers should have a "WIC/SFMNP accepted here" sign posted.

What can be purchased with the SFMNP coupons?

Seniors can purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, cut herbs and raw unprocessed honey with the SFMNP coupons.

NOTE: Participants are NOT ALLOWED to purchase flowers, potted herbs or vegetables, nuts, or any processed packaged food items with the SFMNP coupons.